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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: MIZUNO, Yoshihiro et al.

Serial No.: 09/995,588

Group Art Unit: 2873

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For: MICROMIRROR UNIT FABRICATION METHOD AND MICROMIRROR UNIT  
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**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**  
**DATED January 28, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 21, 2002

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated January 28, 2003.

In the Action, restriction is required between **Group (I)**, Claims 1-15; and **Group (II)**,  
Claims 16-22.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of **Group (I)**, **Claims 1-15** for prosecution in  
this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants'  
rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35  
U.S.C 120 and 35 U.S.C 121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an  
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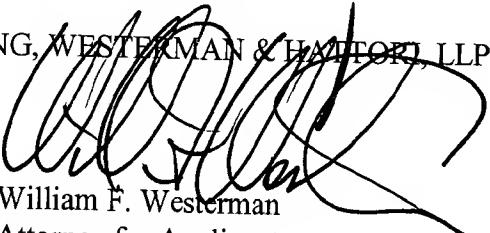
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